BIOGRAPHY

★ UNITED STATES AIR FORCE ★ AIR EDUCATION AND TRAINING COMMAND ◆ 58TH SPECIAL OPERATIONS WING

COLONEL RONNE G. MERCER

Colonel Ronne Mercer is the Commander of the 58th Logistics Group, Kirtland Air Force Base, New Mexico. He is responsible for aircraft maintenance and logistics support for helicopter and C-130 aircraft that support the 58th Special Operations Wing's flying training mission.

Colonel Mercer enlisted in the Air Force in 1966, spending nine years as a supply specialist, and received his commission through the Officer Training School in 1975 after completing the Airman Education and Commissioning Program. He has been a Titan II missile officer and a supply officer. He has worked on both major command and joint command staffs, and commanded a supply squadron. Col Mercer has served tours in California, Arizona, New Mexico, Texas, Ohio, Alabama, Turkey, Saudi Arabia and Hawaii. He wears the Master Supply Badge and Senior Missile Operations Badge. He was the Deputy Commander of the Logistics Group before assuming his current position.

EDUCATION

- 1966 Inventory Management Specialist Course, Amarillo AFB, Texas
- 1975 Bachelor's Degree in Business Administration, Southwest Texas State University, San Marcos, Texas
- 1975 Titan II Missile Launch Officer Course, Sheppard AFB, Texas
- 1976 Squadron Officer School, Davis-Monthan AFB, Ariz. (Correspondence)
- 1980 Master's Degree, Logistics Management, Air Force Institute of Technology, Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio
- 1988 Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, AL (Residence)
- 1991 Joint Professional Military Education, Norfolk, VA (Residence)
- 1996 Air War College, Maxwell AFB, AL. (Resident)

ASSIGNMENTS

- 1. May August 1966, Student, Basic Training and Inventory Management Specialist Course, Amarillo AFB, TX
- 2. September 1966 January 1968, Supply Specialist, 2848th Air Base Group and 63rd Supply Squadron, Norton AFB, CA
- 3. January 1968 July 1969, Supply Specialist, 1155th Technical Operations Group, McClellan AFB, CA
- 4. July 1969 July 1972, NCOIC, Supply TUSLOG Det 38, Karamursel AS, Turkey
- 5. July 1972 August 1973 Asst NCOIC, Requirements Branch, School of Military Sciences, Officer, Lackland AFB, TX

- August 1973 December 1974, Student, Southwest Texas State University, San Marcos, TX
- 7. January 1975 April 1975, Student, Officer Training School, Lackland AFB, TX
- 8. April 1975 July 1975, Student, Titan II Missile Launch Officer Course, Sheppard AFB, TX
- 9. August 1975 September 1975, Student, Titan II, Operational Training Course, Vandenberg AFB, CA
- 10. September 1975 May 1979, Deputy Missile Combat Crew Commander, Instructor Deputy Missile Combat Crew Commander, Missile Combat Crew Commander, and Chief, Scheduling Branch, 570th Strategic Missile Squadron and 390th Strategic Missile Wing, Davis-Monthan AFB, AZ
- 11. June 1979 June 1980, Student, Air Force Institute of Technology, Wright-Patterson AFB, OH
- 12. July 1980 July 1982, Chief, Customer Support Branch, and Chief, Combat Operations Support Branch, 35th and 831st Supply Squadrons, George AFB, CA
- 13. August 1982 June 1983, Deputy Director for Logistics, United States Military Training Mission, Saudi Arabia, Dhahran, Saudi Arabia
- July 1983 April1986, Supply Staff Officer, DCS/Technical Training, HQ Air Training Command, Randolph AFB, TX
- 15. May 1986 July 1987, Asst Chief of Supply, Directorate of Distribution, San Antonio Air Logistics Center, Kelly AFB, TX
- 16. August 1987 June 1988, Student, Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, AL
- 17. July 1988 July 1990, Commander/Chief of Supply, 341sst and 840th Supply Squadrons, Malstrom AFB, MO
- 18. August 1990 August 1993, Supply Management Officer, Directorate of Logistics-Security Assistance, HQ Pacific Command, Camp Smith, Hawaii
- 19. September 1993 July 1995, Air Force IG Inspector, Supply Team Chief, Air Force Inspection Agency, Kirtland AFB, NM
- 20. August 1995 June 1996, Student Air War College, Maxwell AFB, AL
- 21. June 1996 December 1998, Deputy Commander, 58th Logistics Group, Kirtland AFB, NM

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Defense Meritorious Service Medal

Meritorious Service Medal with three oak leaf clusters

Joint Service Commendation Medal with three oak leaf clusters

Air Force Commendation Medal with two oak leaf clusters

Joint Service Achievement Medal

Air Force Achievement Medal

Combat Readiness Medal

Air Force Good Conduct Medal with one oak leaf cluster

Humanitarian Service Medal

National Defense Medal with one oak leaf cluster

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

Airman Third Class 14 June 1966 Airman Second Class 1 July 1967 Sergeant 1 August 1968 1 August 1969 Staff Sergeant Technical Sergeant 1 January 1974 Second Lieutenant 15 April 1975 15 April 1977 First Lieutenant 15 April 1979 Captain 1 September 1986 Major Lieutenant Colonel 1 September 1991 1 February 1998 Colonel

(Current as of December 1998)





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